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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The instant application was allowed February 25, 2004. However, the Reasons for Allowance are not commensurate with the scope of the claims.

In particular, the reasons for allowance are directed toward claim 1. For example, and without limitation, independent claims 18, 19, 27 and 28 do not require (a) and (b) recited in the reasons for allowance.

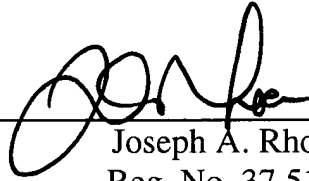
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